

# Timberbank JPS School Council

## Minutes from October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016



In attendance: Anna Epitropou (Principal), Lisa Ferguson (Co-Chair), Jeya Balamanokaran (Secretary), Mike Petkovski (Co-Chair), Gerald Jones, Emmy Kelly, Lynn Greenwood (Treasurer), Tilley Creary, Grace Carasis, Jeff Kwok, Margo Chen, Gohar Khera, S. Khera, Sugetha Jeyaakilan, Nermala Mahadeva



Regrets: Marilyn Trenbeth (Community Rep)

Item	Discussion	Action / Responsibility
<b>Agenda items</b>		
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	All new parents are introduced and nice to see new faces join the meeting.	
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	➤ School Council current balance = \$29 236.66	➤ Anna/Lynn
<b>Elections for this year's council</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Council members voted in/volunteered for this year's school council are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Co-Chair – Jeya Balamanokaran</li> <li>○ Co-Chair – Tilley Creary</li> <li>○ Treasurer – Lynn Greenwood</li> <li>○ Secretary – Nermaladevi Mahadevan</li> <li>○ Community Representative – Marilyn Trenbeth</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	➤
<b>School Council Meeting Dates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is agreed that Mondays are generally a good night for all to attend council meetings.</li> <li>• The 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month has been designated as the regular meeting date.</li> </ul>	➤
<b>PRO Grants – Parent workshops to be planned</b>	<p>This year's grant has been approved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 family night events will be done <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1<sup>st</sup> one is for November 24<sup>th</sup></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	→ Boot camp is confirmed and ongoing event planning

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Lynn to confirm with bootcamp</li> <li>○ Topic of focus for parents/kids portions</li> <li>○ Council agrees that it is worth it to use council funds to top up money spent on food for participants</li> </ul>	will continue via email for all interested in
<b>Principal's Report</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Principal's Report</u></b> <b><u>Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vision of Learning – video to be shared with parents from Director John Malloy; Timberbank is in Learning Centre 2 and we are our Learning Network 13; our new Superintendent is Lynn Strangway; Vision of Learning focused around: Equity; Achievement and Well-Being; video link for parent presentation: <a href="http://www.tdsb.on.ca/aboutus/directorofeducation/visionforlearning.aspx">http://www.tdsb.on.ca/aboutus/directorofeducation/visionforlearning.aspx</a></li> <li>• Great start to the school year – staff and students pleased to be back; we were fortunate and did not have to do any reorganization. Projected enrolment was 230 and we are at 237 students.</li> <li>• New Staff – Mr. Johnathon Rands is covering for Mrs. Kathryn Spirou till April; Margaret Stathis is in for Wency DeSousa till March; Alicia Ball is off for the year and Miss Diane Fotopoulos is covering until further notice; Mandy Cheng has returned from her leave and is teaching music in the afternoon; Mrs. Ashiya Shaikh is our new ECE who replaced Ms Nancy Ho (retired); and glad to have Mrs. Mary Ann Kerr back</li> <li>• Curriculum Night – Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> – great turnout! Thanks to all the parents for their support and being involved in their child's education.</li> <li>• EQAO results have been released. All grade 4s received their individual scores today.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Grade 3 (26 students)</u></b> Reading: School – 77%; Board – 74%; Province – 72% Writing: School – 88%; Board – 77%; Province – 74% Math: School – 73%; Board – 67%; Province – 63%</p> <p><b><u>Grade 6 (29 students)</u></b> Reading: School – 79%; Board – 80%; Province – 81% Writing: School – 97%; Board – 81%; Province – 80% Math: School – 59%; Board 55%; Province – 50% (Math Renewal Strategy from the Ministry)</p>	

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ECO news – Gold Certification –Ecoliteracy continues to be an area of focus for us this year; Eco Team is beginning this week; Walking Wednesday on International Walk or Bike to School Day which is Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Our first spirit day was on September 30<sup>th</sup> with our Terry Fox Run/Hat Day &amp; Orange Shirt Day to recognize Aboriginal students and the challenges experienced in residential schools and that all students matter; next spirit day - Halloween – Assembly; parade in the afternoon on October 31<sup>st</sup>; Movie Night – Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> after school</li> <li>• Athletics – Cross Country team – grades 1-6 students have been practising; October 13<sup>th</sup> conference finals at Thomson Park; October 20<sup>th</sup> – East Finals; Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> – City Finals<br/>Boys Volleyball Tryouts are happening right now</li> </ul> <p>Clubs: Boys Club and Girls Club has started<br/>PALS: October 14<sup>th</sup> training of student leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After School Program – offered free through Agincourt Community Services; every day till 5:30pm all year; wait-listing students now</li> <li>• Breakfast program – thanks to Grant provided through Toronto Foundation for Student Success; we will still rely on donations from parents and note to go home as needed; every day from 8am to 8:30 am; weekly meals posted on the door</li> <li>• Newsletter – updates through email going home; next newsletter this Friday</li> <li>• Fundraising Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Movie Nights – 1<sup>st</sup> one for kids on October 27<sup>th</sup>; 1<sup>st</sup> Family Movie Night – December 9<sup>th</sup></b></li> <li>- <b>Winter Concert – December 22, 2016</b></li> <li>- <b>“Move-A-Thon” – February 24, 2017</b></li> <li>- <b>Spring Concert – May 11, 2017</b></li> <li>- <b>Spring Fair – June 2017</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Upcoming Events:</li> <li>• Fall Community Clean Up – October</li> </ul> |  |
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• October 7<sup>th</sup> – PA Day</li> <li>• October 10<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving</li> <li>• October 11<sup>th</sup> – all junior students attend YOUDANCE at the National Ballet</li> <li>• October 6<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> – Dental Screening Day</li> <li>• October 18<sup>th</sup> – Picture day</li> <li>• October 26<sup>th</sup> – “Take Me Outside Day”</li> <li>• October 27<sup>th</sup> – Movie Night</li> <li>• October 31<sup>st</sup> – Hallowe’en Parade in the pm</li> <li>• November 4<sup>th</sup> – Take Your Kid to Work Day</li> </ul>	
<b>Fundraising Plan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundraising plan for 2016/17 remains the same as last year.</li> <li>• There is a fundraising letter available for council members to bring around the community to ask for donations.</li> <li>• Donations are need for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Student event prizing / Move-a-thon</li> <li>○ Spring Fair</li> <li>○ Various Raffles held throughout the year</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Round Table / New Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Movie Nights</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Council agrees that movie nights will continue for this school year as long as we receive enough volunteers for each event.</li> <li>○ Volunteers required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Min 3 for Kinders</li> <li>▪ Min 1 for older kids</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Next movie night is – October 27<sup>th</sup> (TBD on movie) after school from 3:30-5:30 pm for students</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	→ Confirmed Volunteers Jeya/Lynn/Gerry

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<b>Adjournment</b>	<b>• Next meeting – November 07<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm</b>	
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